## ABSTRACT

A motor drive inverter control apparatus includes a rectifier circuit for rectifying an AC power supply, an inverter circuit driven by an output from the rectifier circuit, a motor driven by an output from the inverter circuit, a first capacitor coupled in parallel to the output of the rectifier circuit, and a second capacitor coupled in parallel to the first capacitor via a diode. The second capacitor has capacitance not less than three times that of the first capacitor. Although the second capacitor shows a ripple content not less than 90% during practical use, it well absorbs regenerative energy produced by the motor. As a result, elements of the apparatus can be prevented from degrading caused by an over-voltage, and the apparatus can be downsized and reduced its cost.